

allowing a user to selectively disable or enable a future display of one or more of said alerts to the user by selecting or deselecting a corresponding alert type in said graphic display; and

recording status information associated with said alerts in a storage medium.

Sub E1
11. (Three Times Amended) A method of monitoring the operational status of components in a computer comprising the acts of:

generating a notification about the status of at least one component in the computer, said notification comprising a first code which contains data about said component, said first code having a first data length;

receiving said notification unfiltered at a remote computer; [and]

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allowing a user to selectively disable or enable a processing of said notification by selecting or deselecting a corresponding notification type in a graphic display; and

transforming said notification into an automatically displayed user-friendly display message comprising a second data length, wherein said second data length is significantly greater than said first data length.

Sub E2
20. (Three Times Amended) A method of monitoring the operational status of components in a computer comprising the acts of:

providing a management information base which is configured to associate a plurality of indexes with different operational parameters related to said components;

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generating at least one alert, said alert providing information about a change in an operational parameter in at least one component, said alert comprising one index of said indexes which identifies at least one of said operational parameters;

receiving said alert unfiltered from the computer; [and]

allowing a user to selectively disable or enable a processing of said alert by selecting or deselecting a corresponding alert type in a graphic display; and

transforming said index in said alert into an automatically displayed user-friendly display message.

Sub 74 23. (Three Times Amended) A method of displaying a system management user interface comprising the acts of:

providing at least one computer having a plurality of components;
generating a plurality of alerts, said alerts associated with the monitoring of status information about said plurality of components;
displaying said alerts on a manager computer;
allowing a user to select at least two of said alerts; and
disabling the automatically displayed, future display of said selected alerts to the user in response to a single command from the user, said single command corresponding to a selection of an alert type in a graphic display by said user.

REMARKS

Claims 1-38 were pending in the application and were rejected in the Office Action. Claims 1, 11, 20 and 23 have been amended. Thus, Claims 1-38 are submitted for reconsideration by the Examiner.

Claims 1-3, 5-9, 11-18, 20-27 and 33-38 were rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,751,933 to Dev et al. (hereinafter "Dev"). The Examiner rejected Claims 4, 10, 19 and 32 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Dev in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,655,081 to Bonnell et al. The Examiner rejected Claims 28-31 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Dev in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,761,085 to Georgio.

Discussion of § 102 Rejections

The invention, as recited in amended Claim 1, displays a plurality of alert types to a user in a graphic display. The method recited in Claim 1 allows the user to select or deselect an alert type in the graphic display. Support for the graphic display of alert types is found in Figure 4A and in the specification at page 17, line 6 to page 19, line 6. The selection or deselection enables or disables the future display of alerts corresponding to the alert type.

Dev neither teaches nor suggests the use of a graphic display to allow the user to select or deselect alert types. Dev discloses that the user may use filtering criteria to disable the display of